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1894, and had cost in 1859, \$10,714,906. Railroad  
connect with the South, West and North. The chief  
fields of export are tobacco, wheat and corn.  
The exports of tobacco inspected here in 1899, were 34,119  
bushels. The exports of that year were 18,771  
bushels. The shipping of the district, June 30,  
1904, amounted to an aggregate of 5172 tons regis-  
tered, and 6769 tons enrolled and licensed.

Richmond possesses an immense water power, de-  
rived from the falls of James River, which, from the  
management of the rapids, a few miles below the  
falls, renders almost all the water available for power.  
Richmond is situated in the center of the State, and  
possesses natural advantages for productive industry,  
which has recently attracted much attention.

The principal articles produced here are flour, to-  
bacco, cotton and woolen goods, paper, machinery  
and iron ware. Richmond contains about forty  
large factories, some of which are very extensive.

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calmly replied, "and marvelous in our eyes."—I will write," he continues, and the materials are placed within his reach; but the "right hand has forgotten her cunning," and "the pen of the one ready writer" desires to move. "Let me write for you, sir," says an attendant. "What would you say?"—"Nothing, but that GOD is WITH US."—"Now we have done all. Let us all go."—"And now, with all his remaining strength, he cries out, 'The best of all is, God is with us!'—And again, lifting his feeble arm in token of victory, and raising his failing voice to a pitch of holy triumph, he repeats the heart-reviving words, 'The best of all is, God is with us!'—A few minutes before ten o'clock on the morning of the 26th of March, 1791, he slowly and feebly whispered, 'Farewell! farewell!'—and, literally, 'without uttering a single word,' calmly 'fell on sleep, having served his generation by the will of God.'

### READING THE BIBLE.

People may talk much about the importance of systematic exercise to physical health, but unless the Bible is read systematically, the mind and the spirit will prove of little service. And Christians may lay broad plans for evangelizing the world, but unless they have energy in the church, but unless they are regular in reading the word of God, as taking liberal supplies of its milk and strong meat, they cannot become good soldiers of Jesus Christ. The Christian must be a reader.

A writer complains that Christians, as a general thing, read the Bible so scantily, instancing a church of one thousand years ago that read only one chapter a day. He is right. This is small preparation for one who wants to thrive in the divine life. Many Christians, however, read the Bible so much, and surely this means something more than a meager and fragmentary portion. He who would be a living and active Christian must read the Bible so as to enjoy large portions of the scripture, for the purpose of redeeming time from business, recreation, and sleep, to read the Lord's day, especially, should give him the opportunity to read the Holy Bible. The more the pious soul reads intelligently, the more it wants to read the deeper it sees into what its reads.

### A POLITICAL PROBLEM.

A rural paper says: "If half a dozen pewholders in a rich and fashionable church should take a notion

**SECTARIANISM.**—Dr. Tye says: "Sir, I have tried to be a sectarian. I can't be. I have labored to work out the principles upon which people should live in peace and harmony with each other and with their neighbors. But I have always found that a summer spent in building fences between the people is like a winter spent in building a barn for the hungry without a crop. I prefer to build a barn for the hungry, and let the people think of those things in which, as Christians, we are united, and they constitute the whole truth which is necessary to save us from sin."

At best, life is not very long. A few more miles on a few more steps, some pleasure, much pain, sunshine and shadows, and then the end. The world is full of songs and clouds and darkness, happy and sad. It is up to you to make the most of it. It will close. It is worth while to hate each other.











